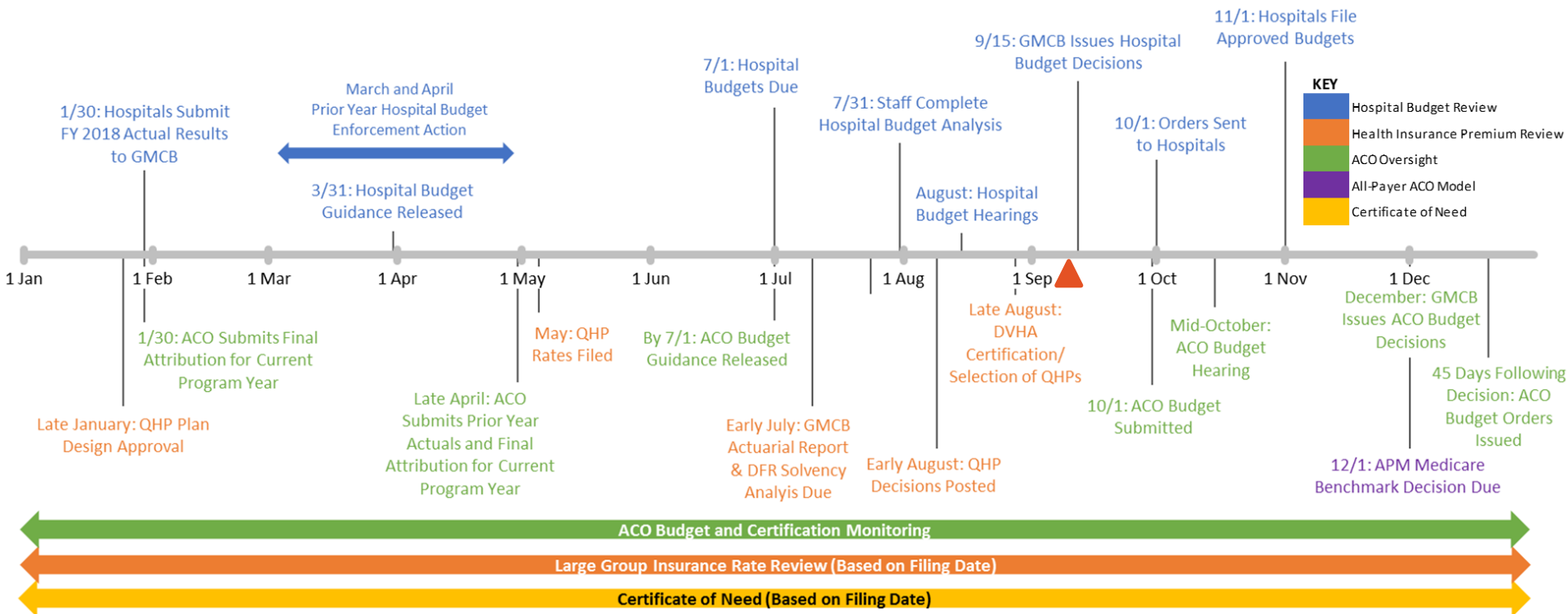


# Green Mountain Care Board General Advisory Committee

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# Rate Review & Hospital Budgets

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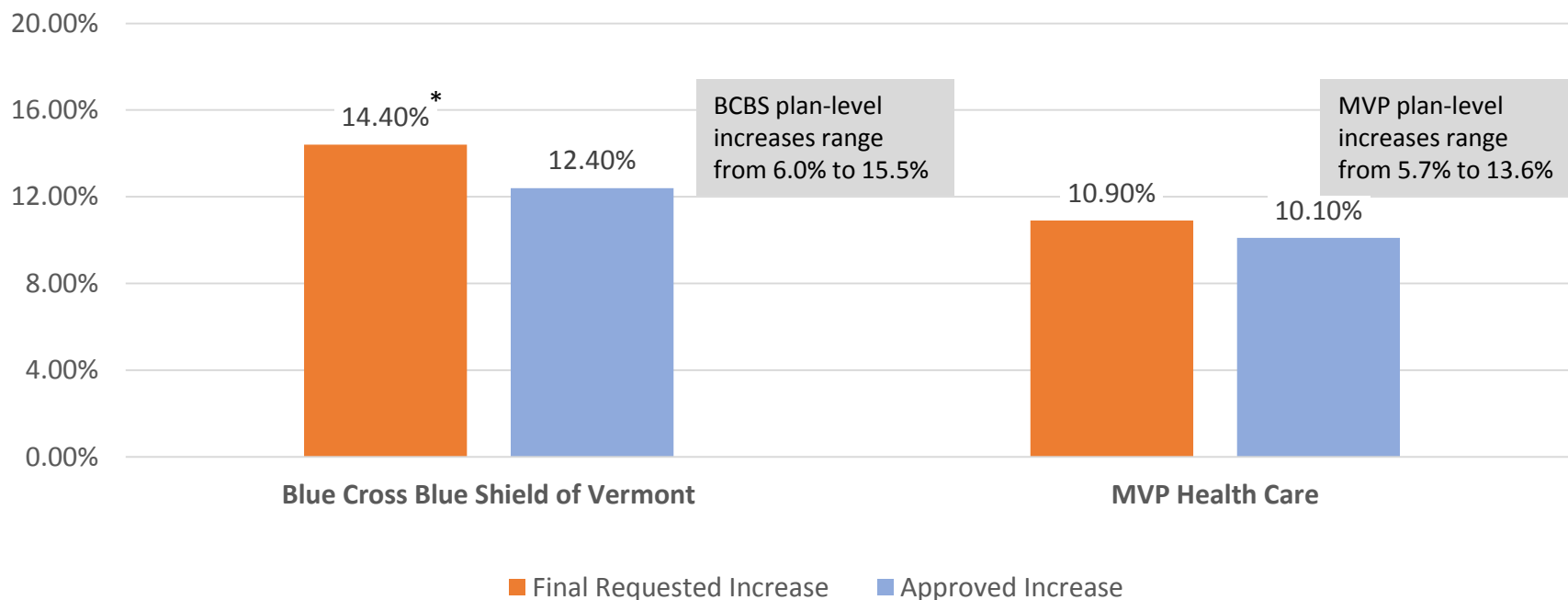
***Rate Review: 18 V.S.A. § 9375(b)(6):*** The GMCB shall review requests for health insurance rates pursuant to 8 V.S.A. § 4062, taking into consideration the requirements of the underlying statutes, changes in health care delivery, changes in payment methods and amounts, protecting insurer solvency, and other issues at the discretion of the Board.

## **GMCB Rule 2.000: Health Insurance Rate Review**

The Board shall approve, modify, or disapprove rate requests on or before 90 days after receipt. In deciding, the Board shall determine whether the requested rate is affordable, promotes quality care, promotes access to health care, protects insurer solvency, is not unjust, unfair, inequitable, misleading, or contrary to law, and is not excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory.

# 2020 Vermont Health Connect Plans

Average Annual Rate Increase – 2020 VHC Plans



The 2020 approved rate increases are unusual; the 2019 approved rate increases felt by Vermonters were an average of 1.9% for MVP and 3.2% for BCBSVT.

\*14.4% is an average; BCBSVT's final requested rate increase was a range of 14.3% to 14.5%.

# Rate Review Resources

[GMCB Rule 2.000: Health Insurance Rate Review](#)

[Vermont Rate Review Website](#)

- Information relating to filings and decisions after January 1, 2014

[Qualified Health Plan \(QHP\) Certification Timeline](#)

- Timeline describing the process of certification for QHPs (the QHP timeline for plan year 2020 is currently posted)

# Hospital Budget Review

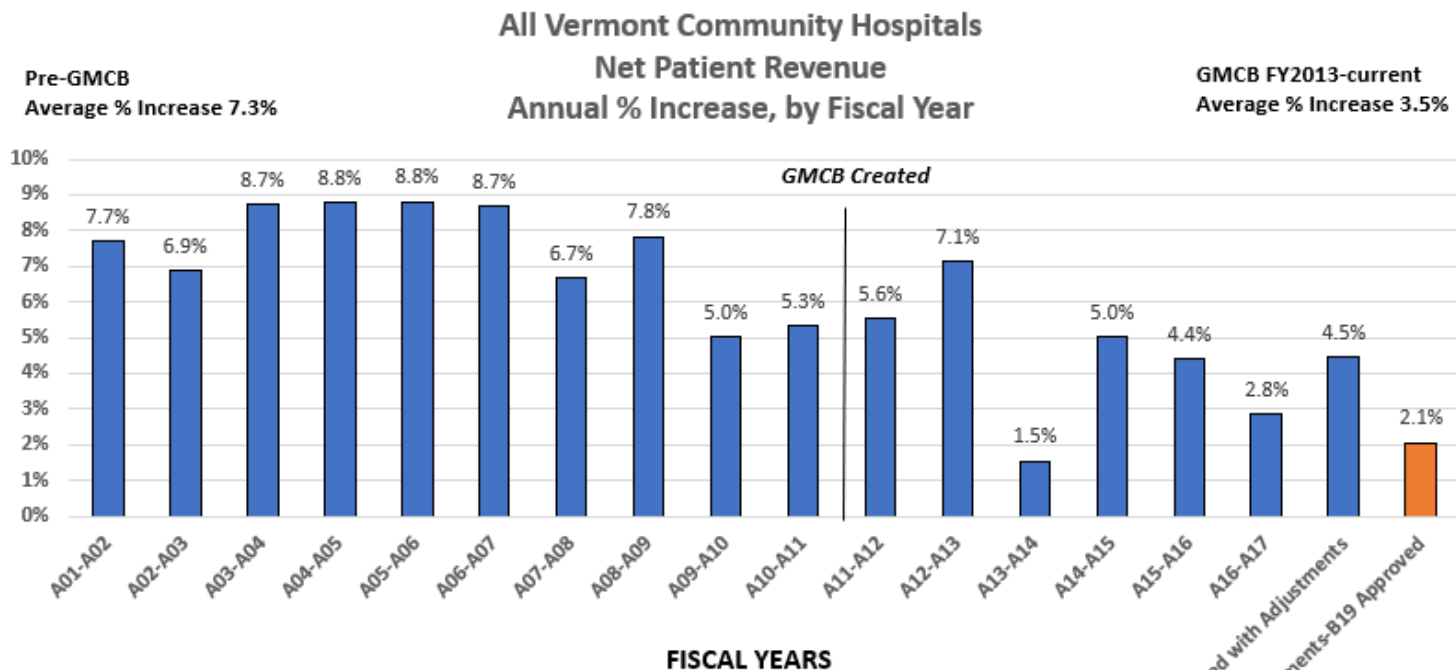
**18 V.S.A. § 9375(b)(7):** Review and establish the budgets of general hospitals pursuant to 18 V.S.A. §§ 9451 – 9458.

## **GMCB Rule 3.000: Hospital Budget Review**

The Board shall take into consideration the requirements in the underlying statutes, changes in health care delivery, changes in payment methods and amounts, and other issues at the discretion of the Board. The Board's review process will promote the general good of the state by improving the health of the population; reducing the per-capita rate of growth in expenditures for health services in Vermont across all payers while ensuring that access to care and quality of care are not compromised; enhancing the patient and health care professional experience of care; supporting the recruitment and retention of high-quality health care professionals; and achieving administrative simplification in health care financing and delivery.

# Hospital Budgets: FY2012-FY2019

Consistent with the Board's goal to reduce the rate of per capita health care cost growth, the average annual NPR increase since the responsibility for budget review was transferred to the Board (FY2012) is 3.5%, compared to an average annual NPR growth rate of 7.3% in FY2001-FY2011.



**Notes:**

A = Actual

B = Budget

GMCB assumed responsibility for reviewing and approving hospital budgets in FY2013.

Results for FY 2001-2011 were adjusted to reflect Bad Debt reporting change effective in FY 2012.

A17-B18 Rebased with Adjustments  
B18 Rebased with Adjustments-B19 Approved



# Hospital Budget Resources

[GMCB Rule 3.000: Hospital Budget Review](#)

[FY 2020 Hospital Budget Guidance and Reporting Requirements](#)  
*(effective March 31, 2019)*

[Hospital budget information - fiscal year budgets and actuals](#)

FY20 Decisions: The Board must vote by September 15<sup>th</sup> and the Orders will be sent out by September 30<sup>th</sup>

# Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) All-Payer Model Site Visit

# CMMI APM Site Visit: July 24-25

Officials from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) who work directly on the All-Payer ACO Model were in Vermont for a routine site visit jointly hosted by GMCB and AHS.

- CMMI travels to Vermont ~annually to learn more about how the APM Agreement is supporting delivery system reform on the ground, to meet with model partners, and to discuss model implementation.
- On this visit, CMMI toured a SASH facility; met with State, payer, and provider organization leadership; and attended panels of participating providers and payers.
- GMCB and AHS have received excellent feedback from CMMI about their visit. Thank you to all who participated!

# General Advisory Committee Meetings

*Meetings will continue to be held quarterly on Mondays from 2:00 – 4:00 pm  
in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Pavilion Building at 109 State St,  
Montpelier unless otherwise noted*

## 2020-2021 Meeting Dates

- February 10, 2020
- June 8, 2020
- September 21, 2020
- February 8, 2021